IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA ROANOKE DIVISION

GEORGE WESLEY HUGUELY, V, No. 1458946,

Petitioner,

V.

CIVIL ACTION NO. 7:20cv30021

HAROLD W. CLARKE, DIRECTOR, VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS,

Respondent.

MOTION TO DISMISS AND RULE 5 ANSWER

The respondent, by counsel, pursuant to Rule 5, <u>Rules Governing Section 2254</u>

<u>Cases</u>, moves this Court to dismiss petitioner's petition for a writ of habeas corpus.

- 1. The reasons requiring dismissal are set forth in the accompanying Brief in Support which is incorporated by reference.
 - 2. Each and every allegation not expressly admitted should be taken as denied.
- 3. The lack of merit of the petition is ascertainable from the record and the applicable law without the need of an evidentiary hearing. See 28 U.S.C. § 2254 (d) and (c).

WHEREFORE, the respondent prays the petition for a writ of habeas corpus will be dismissed without an evidentiary hearing.

Respectfully submitted,

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Respondent herein,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on July 17, 2020, I have electronically filed the foregoing Motion to Dismiss and Rule 5 Answer with the Clerk of the Court using the CM/ECF system, which will notify electronically the following CM/ECF participant and other counsel:

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